The inhibitor isolated has an amino acid sequence that shows no similarity to existing peptidie inhibitors and represents an exciting new class of inhibitors.

(c) and (d) No, Sir. However, Council for Scientific Industrial Research has filed for Indian and Foreign Patent Applications in respect of this invention.

Compensation to women who die in the hospital

†2522. SHRIMATI JAMANA DEVI BARUPAL : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering over provision of compensation in regard to those women who die in the hospital during operation on the analogy of compensation paid in the case of death of Haj and Amarnath Pilgrims; and

(b) if so, by when and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) and (b) No such proposal is under consideration.

Impact of various family planning measures in Punjab

2523. SHRI SUKHBIR SINGH: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have assessed the impact of various family planning measures adopted in Punjab to control population in the State;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government propose to introduce new methods adopted in other countries; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) and (b) As per the estimates of Sample Registration System (SRS), Registrar General of India, the impact of the Family Planning measures taken are as follows:

Year	Total Fertility Rate	Crude Birth Rate
1975	4.7	31.8
1990	3.2	27.6
1999	2.5	21.5
2001	N.A.	21.2

According to the National Family Health Survey (1998-99) about 31% of the couples have adopted the terminal method of contraception in Punjab.

(c) and (d) The Government has introduced an advance version of Intra Uterine Device Cu. T 380A, which remains effective for ten years and Emergency Contraceptives Pills.

Cancer patients in the country

2524. SHRI KRIPAL PARMAR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that cancer is increasing continuously at an alarming rate in the country;

(b) the steps taken by Government to provide economical treatment to the weaker sections;

(c) whether Government have any proposal to establish more Radiation Cobalt Units to fulfil the necessities of urban and rural areas in the country in order to provide economical treatment to weaker sections; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) The information about trends in cancer occurrence in India is available from the data of Population Based Cancer Registries functioning under the National Cancer Registry Programme of ICMR. This data does not indicate any significant increase in the incidence rate of cancer of all sites combine together.